ting up of ancillary small scale units for such items?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) ONGC has been encouraging the indigenisation of oil field equipment, chemicals and services.

(b) and (c) The assistance provided by ONGC includes holding of exhibitions and seminars, transfer of technology in respect of patented chemicals and equipments and placement of development orders. The fiscal benefits available to the indigenous industry making supplies to the oil sector include graded price preference in global tenders and deemed export benefits. Prospective entrepreneurs needing assistance of ONGC can contact the Indigenous Development Group at Dehradun, Director (Marketing), ONGC, New Delhi and Regional Directors at Madras, Bombay, Nazira, Calcutta, Baroda and Jammu.

Gas Agencies in Azamgarh and Farrukhabad districts in Uttar Pradesh

1016. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of gas agencies functioning in the Azamgarh and Farrukhabad districts in Uttar Pradesh as at present; and

(b) what steps are being taken by Government to open more such dealership in these Districts?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) A statement is attached.

(b) LPG distributorships are opened at different places as per marketing plans and policies in force from time to time.

Statement

Name of Distributorship	Location
District Azamgarh	
1. Azaamgarh Gas Service	Azamgarh
2. Mubarakpur Gas Agency	Mubarakpur
District Farrukhabad	
1. Jitendra Gas Service	Farrukhabad
2. SwamiGas Service	Farrukhabad
3. A. S. C.	Fatehgarh
4 Balramji Gas Service	Fatehgarh
5. Kannauj Mas Service	Kannauj

Marketing discipline guidelines of Indian Oil Corporation

1017. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a whether the marketing discipline guidelines of Indian Oil Corporation are not effective enough to deter the erring LPG distributors and corrupt officials;

(b) whether Government propose to amend the above guidelines so as

to make them effective and deterrent; and

(c) if so, by when the guidelines would be amended and if not, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) They are effective enough.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Development of Tourism in Assam

1018. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount earmarked for the development of tourism in Assam for the year 1990-91; and

(b) what are the new schemes proposed by Government for the development of tourism in Assam?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Rs. 22.67 lakhs was sanctioned for tourism development in Assam during 1990-91.

(b) The Government of Assam have proposed wayside amenities at five locations, development of tourist facilities at Garam Pani, a Yatri Niwas, a restaurant, purchase of water sports equipment and a luxury cruise vessel during 1991-92.

Conversion of Guwahati Airport into an International Airport

1019. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to convert Guwahati airport into an international Airport in view of its importance in the North Eastern Region; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Senior Scales to Assistants and Stenographers in the Department of Tourism

1020. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the senior stenographers having the prerevised scale of Rs. 425—700 in Department of Tourism and other organisations outside the Central Secretariat Service, have been allowed by the Government the new revised scale of Rs. 1640—2900 w.e.f. 1st January, 1986 instead of Rs. 1400—2600 as recommended by the Fourth Pay Commission;

(b) if so, what has been the justification therefor and the total number of such employees in the Stenographers and Assistants cadres; and

(c) what are the prescribed norms, qualifications, channels of promotions, minimum length of service in a particular grade prescribed for stenographers and assistants of the Department of Tourism after the grant of higher scales of Rs. 1640—2900 and Rs. 2000—3200 for considering them for promotion to higher post in the Department.

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Revised scales of pay have been given in accordance with the instructions laid down by the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions. The number of Assistants are 20 and Senior Stenographers 10.